



Docket No. 4296-150 US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of  
SAKAMOTO et al.

Serial No. 10/086,931

Filed: March 1, 2002

Title: METHOD FOR DISTILLING  
(METH)ACRYLIC ACID SOLUTION

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Group Art Unit: 1764

Examiner: MANOHARAN, V.

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Commissioner for Patents  
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## RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to an Advisory Action dated March 2, 2004 please amend the application as follows: